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SUBJECT: UN FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL

REF: (A) GENEVA 5833 (BEING REPEATED TO USUN)

(B) GENEVA 3937 (BEING REPEATED TO USUN)

1. PLEASE USE EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH SYG WALDHEIM TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON EXCELLENT UN PERFORMANCE IN ASSISTING TURKISH EFFORTS CONTROL POPPY CULTIVATION AND RESULTING HARVEST. US, AS LARGEST CONTRIBUTOR TO UN FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDAC), IS PLEASED WITH PRELIMINARY RESULTS. (REF A.) WITHOUT UNFDAC, IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT SUCCESSFUL CONTROL SYSTEM COULD HAVE BEEN PUT TOGETHER BECAUSE OTHER ASSISTANCE SOURCES NOT AVAILABLE.

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2. YOU SHOULD NOTE THAT:

A. WE UNDERSTAND HOW NEW PROGRAMS STRONGLY SPONSORED BY ONE STATE OR SMALL GROUP OF STATES, AS US HAS SUPPORTED UNFDAC, REQUIRE TIME TO DEVELOP WIDE INTERNATIONAL APPEAL NECESSARY FOR THEM TO BECOME FINANCIALLY SELF-SUSTAINING. UNFDAC HAS RECEIVED PLEDGES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TOTALING 19.3 MILLION DOLLARS, OF WHICH 15 MILLION DOLLARS HAS COME FROM US. THERE ARE GROWING INDICATIONS THAT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM

OTHER DONORS ARE DECLINING RATHER THAN INCREASING, IN SPITE OF REPEATED APPEALS BY CND, USG AND UNFDAC. DURING FY 1976 BUDGET HEARINGS, SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS INDICATED DISSATISFACTION WITH DISPROPORTIONATE LEVEL OF US DONATIONS TO UNFDAC. CONGRESS MAY IMPOSE LIMIT ON FUTURE US CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFDAC.

B. GROWING NUMBER OF REQUESTS FOR UNFDAC ASSISTANCE (REF B) INDICATES MORE COUNTRIES BECOMING AWARE THAT DRUG ABUSE IS A LOCAL PROBLEM EVERYWHERE. A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IMPORTANT TO EFFORTS TO CONTROL ILLICIT NARCOTICS INSIST UPON OR ARE MORE COMFORTABLE WITH MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE. NOW WOULD BE GOOD TIME FOR UN TO PUT MORE WEIGHT BEHIND UN DRUG EFFORT IN GENERAL, AND UNFDAC IN PARTICULAR. SUGGEST SYG SEND PERSONAL LETTERS TO HEADS OF POTENTIAL DONOR STATES (OPECS, WEOS) URGING SUSTAINED SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFDAC.

C. WE HOPE SYG WOULD TAKE CONTINUING INTEREST IN UN DRUG ABUSE EFFORTS. HIS PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN UN DRUG ACTIVITIES WOULD RAISE MORALE OF UN PERSONNEL INVOLVED AND RESULT IN WHOLE UN PROGRAM GETTING MORE MILEAGE OUT OF ITS DOLLARS.

3. REQUEST SYG TO EMPHASIZE TO NEW UNFDAC DIRECTOR, AS WE HOPE TO DO, IMPORTANCE OF DIRECTOR'S FUND-RAISING ROLE. NOW THAT UNFDAC HAS PROVEN IT CAN PRODUCE RESULTS, WE SHOULD FOCUS ON ENSURING UNFDAC'S SURVIVAL. ROBINSON

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